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Secretary of State, Mike Coffman 1700 Broadway, Suite 250 Denver, Colorado 80290

RE: Request for reconsideration of your December 17, 2007 decision regarding the voting system of Premier Election Solutions.

Dear Secretary Coffman,

On behalf of Adams County and pursuant to section 1-5-621 (6), we are submitting this request for you to reconsider the decision that you issued on December 17, 2007, regarding the voting system of Premier Election Solutions.

Specifically, Adams County appeals the following portions of your decision:

- The recertification of the Software (GEMS, Version Number 1.18.24) with conditions. The following conditions are impracticable and/or unreasonable and/or sufficiently unclear to allow Adams County to comply.
  - a. Software Conditions #1 System/database/network security hardening
  - b. Software Conditions #3 Audit Trail Information
  - c. Software Conditions #4 Performance Deficiencies
- 2. The recertification of the Precinct Count Optical Scanner (Accuvote OS Model "D", Version Number 1.96.6) with conditions. The following conditions are impracticable and/or unreasonable and/or sufficiently unclear to allow Adams County to comply.
  - a. Precinct Count Scanner Condition #2 External Battery backup (UPS) devices required.
  - b. Precinct Count Scanner Condition #3 Device security accessibility
  - c. Precinct Count Scanner Condition #5 Audit trail information
- The recertification of the Central Count Optical Scanner (Accuvote OS Model "D", Version Number 2.0.12) with conditions. The following conditions are impracticable and/or unreasonable and/or sufficiently unclear to allow Adams County to comply.
  - a. Central Count Scanner Condition #2 Ballot processing
  - b. Central Count Scanner Condition #3 External Battery backup (UPS)

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- c. Central Count Scanner Condition #4 Audit trail information
- 4. The recertification of the DRE (TSX-C and TSX-D, Version Number 4.6.4) with conditions. The following conditions are impracticable and/or unreasonable and/or sufficiently unclear to allow Adams County to comply.
  - a. DRE Condition #1 -- External Battery backup (UPS) devices required
  - b. DRE Condition #3 Accessible distances
  - c. DRE Condition #4 Accessible operation
- 5. The testing procedures under which such equipment was evaluated has not been disclosed, is impracticable or unreasonable.

Due to the impact of each of the conditions, both their individual and cumulative effect, such recertification is constructively equivalent to decertification. Alternatively, even if such conditions do not result in constructive decertification, the conditions lack sufficient specificity to enable Adams County or Premier Election Solutions to comply.

Adams County does not request review of the Secretary of State's decision to re-certify regarding the voting system of Premier Election Solutions. However, Adams County requests the Secretary of State review and remove the conditions announced on December 17, 2007. In the alternative, Adams County requests the Secretary of State review and release within fifteen (15) days, specific actions which may be undertaken by Adams County or Premier Election Solutions to comply with the conditions announced on December 17, 2007.

Additional supporting information will be provided by supplementary documentation to be provided at or before the public hearing on this request.

Respectfully submitted.

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